MUNICIPALITY OF JASPER COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING

DATE:

Tuesday, May 24 2016

PLACE:

ESB meeting room

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

AGENDA

| 1.0 | Call to Order – Councillor Arsenault to chair meeting | | | | | |
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| 2.0 | Additions to Agenda | | | | | |
| 3.0 | Approval of Agenda 3.1 May 24, 2016 | | | | | |
| 4.0 | Approval of Minutes 4.1 April 26, 2016 attachment | | | | | |
| 5.0 | Business Arising from Minutes | | | | | |
| 6.0 | Bylaws 6.1 Bylaw #194B – Taxation Rates 2016 discussion attachment Bylaw and options to be presented at mtg | | | | | |
| 7.0 | Brief Updates 7.1 Community & Economic Development Fund applications separate package | | | | | |
| 8.0 | Correspondence/Information items | | | | | |
| 9.0 | Council Representation on Various Boards, upcoming meetings | | | | | |
| 10.0 | Upcoming Events: May 26 – Jasper Interconnection Sessions, Sawridge 12:30-2:30 pm & 3-8 pm May 27 – TOPS Convention, Activity Centre 7:30 pm Mayor to speak June 1 – Outreach meeting, Jasper Legion, 6-9 pm mayor councilor to speak June 9 – Stewardship Day June 14 – Chamber dinner, Maligne Lake 6 pm June 15-16 – Mayors' Caucuses, Olds – Mayor to attend June 16 – CFC AGM Hinton June 17/18 – A/JTMA conference & AGM – Dep. Mayor Kelleher Empey & Councillor Arsenault to attend June 18 – National Aboriginal Day – mayor to speak | | | | | |
| 11.0 | Nomination of Chair for the Next Committee of the Whole meeting | | | | | |
| 12.0 | Adjournment | | | | | |

Agenda Item: 3.1

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Tuesday, April 26, 2016
Emergency Services Building Meeting Room

Present

Deputy Mayor Helen Kelleher-Empey, Councillors Brian Nesbitt, Gilbert Wall, Dwain Wacko, Helen Kelleher-Empey, Vonna Arsenault, Rico Damota (Chairman)

Absent

Mayor Richard Ireland

Also Present

Mark Fercho, Beryl Cahill, Martha Fleming, Christine Nadon, Bruce Thompson, Dave Osborne, Neil Jones, Randall Riddell, Paul Clarke (The Fitzhugh), Matt Staneland and Pattie Urie (Skateboard and bike parks)

Call to Order

Councillor Damota called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Additions

None

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey that the agenda for today's meeting be approved as presented.

Carried

Approval of Minutes Motion by Councillor Wall that the minutes of the April 12, 2016 committee of the whole meeting be approved as presented.

Carried

Business arising from minutes

With respect to a question from Chairman Damota regarding vehicle options, the CAO advised that this will form part of the budget package at the May 3rd regular meeting when the whole budget will be presented for adoption.

In response to another question from Chairman Damota regarding the status of the library, the CAO advised that the Mayor will have the details when he gives the State of the Municipality report on May $10^{\rm th}$ at the Chamber meeting.

A brief discussion took place on the Asset Management Plan. Efforts are being made to maintain a solid system and be on top of systems before they break down.

Skateboard Park Location Council discussed the proposed location for the skateboard park with Pattie Urie who was presented at the meeting. A number of sites have been considered but have been narrowed to two, but with the current site appearing to be the most favoured one next to the tennis courts. This location is close to the schools, washrooms, etc. RCMP recommendations have been taken into consideration.

The possibility of combined the skateboard park and the bike park together had been discussed but was found unfeasible because of the different terrain that is required for each park.

Pattie Urie indicated that a letter is required designating the skate park's current location before they can begin to apply for matching grants.

NB. A further letter from the high school principal, supporting this location, was requested.

NB. After this meeting, the CAO was later advised that the high school principal will not provide a further letter.

Bike Park Location

Council discussed the proposed location of the Bike Park, being the area along the CN right-of-way at the west exit of town. This area is accessible from the trail network and is within easy access of parking on Connaught drive. Once this approval is in place, the bike association can start on fundraising and grant applications. It was noted, however, and understood by the bike association that housing could take precedence in the future at this proposed location. Parks Canada will be involved, possibly land use agreements will have to be entered into for both proposals. Proper signage, liability insurance, maintenance issues were briefly discussed.

Councillors were supportive of the Skateboard Park and Bike Park location proposals moving forward to the May 3rd regular meeting by way of Notice. RFD to be prepared by CAO.

Four Way Stop Proposal for Geikie at Miette

Operations Director Bruce Thompson advised Council that, at the May 3rd 2016 regular meeting, Council will receive, by way of notice, a request to designate the intersection at Geikie Street and Miette Avenue as a four-way stop. Mr. Thompson advised that many near misses have taken place at this intersection, together with a number of accidents. He stated that the configuration of the intersection has a lot to with these incidents. Changes would be made to the sight lines are no longer causing problems, and so that pedestrians are able to cross the intersection in a shorter time frame. In response to a question from Councillor Wacko, Mr. Thompson stated that both he and the construction company are confident the proposed changes will slow the traffic down thereby constituting more safety to both pedestrians and vehicles at that intersection.

Recess Meeting Reconvened

Chairman Damota called for a short recess at 10:40 a.m. Chairman Damota reconvened the meeting at 10:47 a.m.

Speed Zone Changes

A brief discussion took place on the proposed speed zone changes, the school zones, and the Traffic Bylaw schedule respecting speed zones. Council will receive an RFD for approval, amendment or rejection regarding the speed zone changes, and a new bylaw with proposed revisions to the current Traffic Bylaw will be provided to Council at the May 24th committee meeting for discussion.

Some discussion also took place on the possibility of a transportation study, school zone speeds, possible changes to other areas of town, and perhaps a blanket plan for the whole community. The CAO advised that a transportation study would have to be another budget for next year, but the report could be modified if Council wishes, to reflect today's discussion.

Changes to the speed zones will be on the May 3rd, 2016 regular meeting agenda for approval, amendment or rejection.

Council Remuneration Council discussed a review of compensation prior to the next election. An independent party to do this.

Full-time or Parttime Mayor position CAO to do a scope of work prior to having further discussion on the position of full-time or part-time mayor.

Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association Deputy Mayor Kelleher-Empey proposed three verbal resolutions at the TCYHA AGM 2015 but was requested to enter them this year in writing:

- Traffic control at the intersection of Moberly bridge intersection to JPL and Highway 16.
- 2. Encouragement of bike lanes on Highway 16 through the Park.
- 3. Encourage the widening of Highway 16 west into B.C. or more passing lanes to reduce accidents on that stretch of highway between Jasper and Mount Robson.
- Pass through or express lane at East Gate.

Council discussed various topics including the possibility of working with B.C. regarding the widening of the West highway, either four lanes or put in some traffic passing lanes, a pass through gate or express lane at East Gate. Councillor Kelleher-Empey to submit resolutions to the TCYHA.

Policy E-003 Respectful Workplaces Council review proposed new policy on respectful workplaces and discussed various topics such as enhancing communications and coordination of the staff team, ensuring staff understand the policy. The policy will be placed on the May 3rd regular meeting agenda by way of Notice.

Correspondence or Information items

Brief discussion on sidewalk seating, size of space, fire code, liquor licensing, etc.

Councillor reports

Councillor Wacko reported that he had missed the most recent Community Action Team meeting, but will be back on track next month.

Deputy Mayor Kelleher Empey will attend the TCYHA conference on May 13th in Edmonton. Will also attend the May 11th regional library meeting in Spruce Grove with Councillor Arsenault, as well as a WYWMA meeting with Councillor Wall.

Councillor Damota will attend an upcoming Communities in Bloom meeting soon, as well as a JCHC meeting on April 27^{th} .

Upcoming events

Apr 29 – Rugby Pedal Bike Decorating Contest

Apr 30 – Sparkle Run

May 3 - GPRC Culinary School meeting

May 3 – Finance Minister Ceci to speak at Hinton Chamber – 6 pm

May 6 – Jasper High School Cap & Gown Graduation – 1 pm Mayor to speak May $10^{\rm th}$ – Chamber meeting – State of Municipality – Mayor Ireland – Jasper Inn May 10 – Emergency exercise – Council and Management Team ESB

Nomination of Chair for next mtg

Councillor Arsenault to chair the next Committee-of-the-Whole meeting on May 24^{th} .

Adjournment

Motion by Councillor Wacko that, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Tax Split Comparison for Consideration, 2016 Tax Rate Bylaw

| | Gen. Mun. Residential | | tial | Gen. Mun. Non-Res | | ASFF | | Evergreens |
|---------------|-----------------------|----------|------------|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|
| Tax Split | Urban | Rural | Lake Edith | Urban | Rural | Res | Non-Res | |
| 5.1 (Current) | 0.002517 | 0.001001 | 0.000584 | 0.012836 | 0.005105 | 0.002463 | 0.003442 | 0.000378 |
| 5 | 0.002554 | 0.001017 | 0.000594 | 0.012772 | 0.005083 | 0.002463 | 0.003442 | 0.000378 |
| 4.9 | 0.002593 | 0.001033 | 0.000603 | 0.012705 | 0.005061 | 0.002463 | 0.003442 | 0.000378 |

Impact on a Residential Property Assessed at \$750K

| | 5.1 | 5 | 4.9 |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Municipal Taxes | \$1,887.75 | \$1,915.50 | \$1,944.75 |
| Alberta School Tax | \$1,847.25 | \$1,847.25 | \$1,847.25 |
| Evengreens | \$283.50 | \$283.50 | \$283.50 |
| | \$4,018.50 | \$4,046.25 | \$4,075.50 |
| | current | \$27.75 | \$57.00 |

Impact on a Commercial Property Assessed at \$6M

| | 5.1 | 5 | 4.9 |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Municipal Taxes | \$77,016.00 | \$76,632.00 | \$76,230.00 |
| Alberta School Tax | \$20,652.00 | \$20,652.00 | \$20,652.00 |
| Evengreens | \$2,268.00 | \$2,268.00 | \$2,268.00 |
| | \$99,936.00 | \$99,552.00 | \$99,150.00 |

current (\$384.00) (\$786.00)